2007 CANNON INVITATIONAL

November 4 through December 30, 2007

The William D. Cannon Art Gallery presents The 2007 Cannon Invitational, an exhibition featuring the work of David Adey, Gerrit Greve, Lee Puffer, and Jen Trute. These four artists were selected from the 33 artists featured in The 2007 Juried Biennial exhibition by the Gallery's Curator of Exhibitions, Karen McGuire. While each artist in the Juried Biennial only presents one or two works, the Invitational provides an opportunity to showcase a select few of the Biennial artists and present their work in greater depth. This lively exhibition, a unique amalgamation of the work of four San Diego County artists, crosses over into various disciplines and areas of interest. All four artists are known for their remarkable body of work in mixed-media, painting, ceramics and sculpture. The exhibition opens November 4 and continues through December 30at the Cannon Art Gallery in the Carlsbad City Library Complex, 1775 Dove Lane at El Camino Real.

Carlsbad artist Jen Trute takes us to real and imaginary places in enchanting and mysterious paintings with environmental themes. Each painting tells a story, often unsettling. But Trute's deft handling of paint and the allure of her imagery seduce with delight before the viewer perceives that her narratives have deeper, somber implications.

Cardiff painter Gerrit Greve creates his paintings with nature-oriented materials, as part of a metaphorical journey. Greve lays down layers of iron oxide, silica and quartz, powdered mica and pigment on canvas to forms brilliant abstractions. One Greve canvas was recently featured in the newly published book, "1001 Paintings (You Must See Before You Die)."

Imperial Beach artist David Adey uses notably unorthodox materials in his conceptual sculptures and two-dimensional works. With a wry sensibility, Adey appropriates familiar objects and straddles the boundary between the practical and the imaginary, using materials such as neon, dry-wall screws and industrial materials.

San Diego artist Lee Puffer confronts the experiences of motherhood and aging in a society that values youth and beauty above all else in her whimsical ceramic sculptures. Drawing inspiration from popular culture, clichéd stereotypes and her own experiences, Puffer's works are simultaneously fun and thought-provoking.

Operated by the Carlsbad Arts Office, the Cannon Art Gallery is a focal point for arts and culture in San Diego's North County, offering a broad range of exhibitions, school and family programs, gallery tours, lectures and publications to the community. It is located at 1775 Dove Lane off El Camino Real and is

open to the public Tuesdays through Sundays. For information on all Gallery programs, contact the Carlsbad Arts Info Line (760) 434-2904 or the William D. Cannon Gallery (760) 602-2021 or the City of Carlsbad website, www.carlsbadca.gov/arts.